

## SPECIFIC REPLY OF WORCESTER TO INQUIRIES

Regarding the Charges of Private Brenner in Regard to Murderous Action

## OF THE AMERICAN TROOPS.

Two Prisoners Were Shot in Heat of Battle for Refusing to go to the Rear.

CHICAGO, June 29.—Dean C. Worcester, member of the Philippine commission, to-day cabled the Times-Herald denying reports that Filipino prisoners were shot by order of American officers. This was in response to a cable inquiry sent by H. H. Kohlsaat, as follows: Worcester, Manila:

Charles Brenner, Kansas, writes home: "Company I had four prisoners and did not know what to do with them. They asked Captain Bishop what to do. He said, 'You know orders,' and four natives fell dead." Cable the truth. (Signed) KOHLSAAT.

Commissioner Worcester's answer follows: MANILA, June 29, 1899.

Editor the Times-Herald, Chicago, Ill.: The original statement of Brenner is untrue. Brenner's charge was promptly investigated by the military authorities here.

No facts were ascertained to support the charge at the time of first inquiry, but the investigation has been renewed and is being prosecuted thoroughly and extensively. This investigation has not yet been completed.

Brenner's charge has some semblance of truth, for the reason that it is now believed that two prisoners were shot in the heat of battle for refusing to pass to the rear when ordered to do so. This matter is being probed to the bottom. It is an isolated case.

The inhabitants of the towns recently captured had been maltreated, robbed and left destitute by the insurgents. The natives rejoice at the arrival of the American troops, who neither burn their homes nor loot their property and who feed the hungry.

The inhabitants are resuming their ordinary occupations and are ready to co-operate with us.

The wounded insurgents are brought to Manila, where they receive the same care and attention as our own wounded. (Signed) WORCESTER.

## CHAUNCEY DEPEW TALKS

On the Expansion Policy and Affairs in Europe.

LONDON, June 29.—A representative of the Associated Press saw Senator Chauncey M. Depew, of New York, to-night. He said:

"I have just returned from Paris and Brussels, where I picked up my son, who is now thoroughly restored to health and embarks with me Saturday for New York.

"As regards the expansion policy of the government I quite agree with proceeding with the campaign. We are convinced we are right and President McKinley will go forward, I believe, to a successful issue. Mistakes have been made, but we learn by mistakes, and depend on it, we are going to come out on top.

"The situation in Paris, which is equivalent to France, seems gradually becoming broader. All this spasmodic upset, the changing of ministers, these crises form the house of cards, these are laying the foundation of making men divide off into those extreme parties, which, well defined, will in my opinion raise France into and keep her in the front rank.

"I have come back to London and am proud of the marvelous success of our ambassador, Mr. Choate. He is going to make a great mark. We do not see the work Mr. Bayard did at the time he gave expression to sentiments which positively had no reality in England, and he knew it. We did not know it and blamed him. But he was laying a foundation and accomplished the marvelous work of preparing the way for the grand revolution in popular sentiment on both sides of the Atlantic.

"I go back confident that we have great times coming in the United States. Questions not dreamed of at the last struggle are forcing to the front, and the light will be keen and stiff, and as report goes no man can tell the issue with any success till the electoral vote is declared."

## GENERAL MILES

At Pittsburgh—Will be Guest of Labor Orders To-day.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 29.—Major General Nelson A. Miles, who is to be the guest to-morrow of the "All Organized Labor" executive committee, arrived in the city this evening. He was met at East Liberty by the committee, the mayors of the two cities, and other prominent citizens. After a drive over a portion of the boulevard, the general was taken to the Hotel Schenley for luncheon. Mrs. Miles was met by Mrs. Dr. Daly, who took the guest to her home where a reception was held later in the evening.

To-morrow will be a busy day for General Miles. The morning will be given up to sightseeing, the afternoon to receptions and the evening to addressing the labor organizations. A big demonstration will precede the evening's entertainments in the shape of a parade to be participated in by military and civil organizations.

## The Coal Combine.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 29.—A New York dispatch, giving what purported to be an interview with J. H. Jones, a prominent coal operator, on the proposed consolidation of the river coal interests, is pronounced false by Mr. Jones, who declares that he has not been in New York this year, and that the statements in the interview were not made by him. J. H. Finley, a Monongahela banker, who has been identified with the formation of the combine, said to-day that the deal will be closed to-morrow.

## Yellow Fever at New York.

NEW YORK, June 29.—John Johnson, mate of the Norwegian steamship Krim, was removed to Swineburn Island hospital this afternoon, suffering from yellow fever, and to-night his condition is serious. The Krim sailed from Havana on June 29. The steamer was detained at quarantine here for

disinfection, which will probably be finished to-morrow. The crew will be held at Hoffman Island five days, and the steamer will be allowed to proceed to the dock with a new crew.

## FATAL FIGHT.

Wanko Knocks out Carr, of Huntington, in the Fourth Round—Carr Dies from Effects of the Blow.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., June 29.—Kild Wanko, of Washington, Pa., and Felix Carr, of Huntington, W. Va., were to have fought a twenty-round contest at Fries Park to-night. Wanko knocked Carr out in the fourth round.

Carr did not recover promptly after the knockout and he was brought to the Commercial hotel, in this city. The doctors worked with him until 1 a. m., when he died, without having fully regained consciousness. He was 23 years of age. Wanko will be arrested.

## INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER

Is the Verdict in the Carl Bacchus Murder Case.

SPECIAL DISPATCH to the Intelligencer. GRAFTON, W. Va., June 29.—Carl Bacchus, who has been on trial at a special term of the circuit court here since Monday morning for shooting Calvin Thomas to death, while returning from church at Fetterman last January, was late this evening convicted of involuntary manslaughter, a misdemeanor, and Judge Holt will probably give him a jail sentence to-morrow. Bacchus was indicted jointly with four other young men for the murder of Thomas, but the defendants elected to sever upon the trial and this was the first case tried. Much interest has been manifested in the trial, and the court room was crowded throughout. Messrs. Ira E. Robinson, prosecuting attorney, and B. F. Bailey, both of this city, appeared for the state, and Charles P. Guard, of Grafton, and W. S. Meredith, of Fairmont, conducted the defense. The separate trials of the other defendants will occur later.

## Disastrous Storm at Morgantown.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., June 29.—A terrific storm visited this section last night and dozens of houses were unroofed. The wind blew like a hurricane. A rainfall of several inches accompanied the storm. Bransom Troy was struck by lightning and killed. Tremendous damage was done to crops of every description. Bridges were washed away and roads are impassable.

## Brakeman Killed.

SPECIAL DISPATCH to the Intelligencer. CHARLESTON, W. Va., June 29.—John Hornsby, a brakeman on the Powellton & Pocahontas railroad, was killed near Powellton last night. He was sitting in a box car, when a lurch of the train threw him off. The cars passed over him, crushing him to death.

## Policeman Waldo Suspended.

SPECIAL DISPATCH to the Intelligencer. CLARKSBURG, W. Va., June 29.—The city council in special session to-night suspended Policeman Art. Waldo, pending an investigation into his connection with the Edwin A. Young killing on Sunday, and fixed next Monday as the day to begin the investigation.

## Another Candidate.

SPECIAL DISPATCH to the Intelligencer. STEUBENVILLE, Ohio, June 29.—Ex-Prosecuting Attorney E. E. Erskine, who was a candidate for Congress at the convention last year, announced his candidacy to-day.

## LOYAL TEDDY.

An American Citizen of the Highest Type, and a Patriot.

ALBANY, N. Y., June 29.—Governor Roosevelt, who stopped off at this city late this afternoon for a few moments on his way to New York city from the west, declared that he is not a candidate for the Republican nomination for president in 1900, and that he is in favor of the renomination of President McKinley. In an interview given to the Associated Press representative at the station he said:

"I have had an exceedingly good time and have thoroughly enjoyed myself. I have been as much touched as surprised. I have been delighted with the west.

"Everybody in the west is for McKinley's renomination, and I am most emphatically for his renomination, of course. I feel that both the extreme rapidity with which the country has gone up the path of prosperity under President McKinley's administration and the conduct of the war in the Philippines makes it the duty of every man to stand with it and renders President McKinley's renomination a necessity. We must smash out this insurrection that by force of arms and then we can consider terms of peace."

## Westerners for Sailors.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Commander Hawley, of the navigation bureau, has received a report from Lieutenant Commander Adams, of the receiving ship Independence, to the effect that the experience of the enlistment of sailors from the middle west for service on the Hartford promises to result successfully. The men are said to be intelligent, of splendid physique, and altogether of great superior qualifications as to give great promise for the future.

## Grasshoppers in Algeria.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—United States Consul Skinner, at Marseilles, reports to the state department that clouds of grasshoppers threaten to destroy the standing crop in Algeria and that the government is already spending large sums of money to suppress them.

## Mrs. McKinley Improving.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Mrs. McKinley was able to sit up this afternoon. Dr. Rixey says she is gaining strength steadily. He does not anticipate any complications and believes she will be able to go out for her customary drive in a few days.

## Distinguished Novelist Dying.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Mrs. E. D. E. N. Southworth, the novelist, was considerably worse to-day and her death may occur at any hour.

## New Bicycle Record.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., June 29.—Eddie McDuffee made a new world's record for the mile at the Buttondown cycle track this afternoon. Time 1:31 2-5 for the distance, beating Major Taylor's previous record by 2-5 of a second. The quarter was done in 32.5, the half in 1:03 and the three-quarters in 1:37.5. All three of these are also new world's records. McDuffee was paced by his motor machine.

## LAKE DISASTER INVOLVING LOSS OF LIFE.

The Steam Barge Margaret Olwill Founders in Lake Erie off Lorain, Ohio.

## NINE PERSONS WERE LOST

Four Survivors of the Wreck—All of the Victims Residents of Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., June 29.—In the heavy northeast gale last night the steamer Margaret Olwill, laden with stone from Kelly's Island to Cleveland, foundered in Lake Erie, off Lorain. Nine persons were drowned. Four members of the crew have been picked up by passing steamers and brought to port. The dead are:

Captain John C. Braun, master, of Cleveland.  
Lizzie Braun, wife of master, of Cleveland.  
Blanchard Braun, their nine-year-old son.  
Miss Cora Hitchcock, a passenger, of Cleveland.

Wm. Doyle, fireman, of Cleveland.  
George Heffron, seaman, of Cleveland.  
Frank Hipp, watchman, of Cleveland.  
Two seamen, names and residences unknown.

The rescued are: John Smith, first mate, of Cleveland; Alex McRae, chief engineer, of Cleveland; Luke Schinski, second engineer, of Cleveland; Duncan Coyle, seaman, of Cleveland.

Smith, McRae and Schinski were rescued by members of the crew of the steamer Sacramento and taken into Lorain by the tug Cascade. Coyle was picked up by the passenger steamer State of Ohio and landed at Toledo to-day. From the reports of the survivors the cargo of stone shifted while the vessel was laboring in the trough of the sea. Shortly before she went down the rudder chain parted, allowing her to fall off into the trough. As the helpless craft rose on top of a heavy sea, the stone slid to leeward, the steamer listed heavily and sank to the bottom. The rescued members of the crew were found floating on the surface of Lake Erie, clinging to bits of wreckage. Their rescue was attended by exhibitions of extreme heroism, for a heavy sea was still running when they were picked up.

## Survivor Coyle's Story.

According to the story of Coyle, it was 2 o'clock when the captain gave the order to turn about. The vessel had turned half way around when the rudder parted, and in an instant the boat was at the mercy of the storm. She was caught between two waves, and as she was borne along the top of one of them she rolled over on her side. The cabins were torn loose, and floated on the water, while the rest of the ship went to the bottom. Whether any of the occupants were able to take advantage of this is not known, but Coyle says he saw Schinski, the second engineer, and Heffron, the wheelman, after the boat went down, but that was all. Coyle caught hold of part of the after cabin, and climbed upon it. Heffron was clinging to a part of the same cabin.

Captain Dougherty, of the steamer State of Ohio, sighted the wreckage about 5:15 o'clock in the morning, directly in the course from Cleveland to Toledo. The big steamer immediately put into service her life-saving crew, and after sailing around the wreckage for an hour and a half, Coyle was rescued. Heffron was thrown a line, but he was too weak to take hold of it, and went down in the presence of a large crowd on board the steamer.

Several attempts were made to get the yawl boat in the water, but the sea was still running high, and the work was extremely perilous. Heffron's death was a pathetic one. As he grabbed the rope, encouraged by the crowd, he made a heroic effort to put the rope around his body, but he was too weak, and fell exhausted into the waves.

## GREAT SAENGERFEST

Opens at Cincinnati Last Night—Fine Programme Rendered.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, June 29.—Although quite a number of disappointed people left the city to-day after the postponement of each concert twenty-four hours, yet there was a multitude at the hall before 7 o'clock to-night, and they were not barred out this time by policemen. The entire interior was brilliantly illuminated with arc lights.

An audience that packed the balcony and almost filled the dress circle and parquet indicated an attendance of much over ten thousand. The chorus and orchestra numbered over two thousand.

At 8:25, only ten minutes after the designated time, the applause indicated the appearance of Louis Elgart, the musical director, and in the hush that followed came the opening notes of "Beethoven's Consolation of the House." Five minutes later the crash of a board in the balcony opposite the stage, followed by a woman's scream, started what looked for an instant like a fearful panic. Fortunately good sense prevailed over needless fear. The orchestra did not lose a note and when quiet was restored applause rewarded the cool heads that had restrained the thoughtless ones and averted a catastrophe.

The first vocal work given was the song, "Herbstlied," by Victor Herbert, sung by the Louisville Liederkreis, chorus and orchestra. The test of the acoustic qualities of the new hall in both the orchestral and the vocal numbers indicated success. The closing passage of Burnby's "Gloria" so thrilled the audience that salvos of applause were given. The vocalists seemed equally satisfied. The Cincinnati reception chorus and orchestra. The test of the acoustic qualities of the new hall in both the orchestral and the vocal numbers indicated success. The closing passage of Burnby's "Gloria" so thrilled the audience that salvos of applause were given. The vocalists seemed equally satisfied. The Cincinnati reception chorus and orchestra. The test of the acoustic qualities of the new hall in both the orchestral and the vocal numbers indicated success. The closing passage of Burnby's "Gloria" so thrilled the audience that salvos of applause were given. The vocalists seemed equally satisfied. 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